IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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BALSAMIC SAUCE FOR ALIMENTARY USE, WITH A BASIS OF BALSAMIC VINEGAR OF MODENA

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the first Official Action and calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Flease amend claims 5, 8 and 9 as follows:

--5. (Amended) Sauce as per claim 1, characterized in that it cintains also flavouring bases, suitable to give a specific arcma or flavour to the sauce based on balsamic vinegar of Modena.--

--3.(Amended) Ealsamic sauce as per claim 1, characterized in that it is a basic balsamic sauce containing at least 40% of balsamic vinegar of Modena, combined with sugars, modified starch and xanthan gum.--